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The Project

In 2016, in **full agreement with the Solesin family**, we decided to create an award to honour the memory of Valeria, an Italian researcher at the Sorbonne in Paris who tragically lost her life on 13 November 2015 in the attack on the Bataclan theatre.

A competition inspired both by Valeria's studies - which examine the theme of the dual role of women, their time split between family and work - and other contemporary research that highlights the positive effects of a balanced female presence in companies.

We therefore came up with the following theme:

“Female talent as a determining factor for the development of the economy, ethics and meritocracy in Italy.”

The award is aimed at students who have completed a Master's degree at an Italian public or private university or hold an equivalent degree obtained abroad in the areas of **Economics, Sociology, Law, Political Science, Psychology, Education Sciences, Engineering, Demographics or Statistics**.

First introduced in 2021, once again this year the award will be given for dissertations focusing on the importance of gender balance in STEM fields (*Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics*), for which two **Special “STEM Focus” Prizes will be awarded**.

There will also be a **Special Award**, the **“Gender Equality Certification Focus”** prize, added in 2023 and dedicated specifically to dissertations that examine the subject of Gender Equality Certification as part of their focus on the theme of the call.

This year a **Special Award** named **“Focus on the Inclusion of Migrant Women”** has been added: this prize only refers to dissertations that address the inclusion of migrant women in society and in the labour market.

The Goal



Our target is students whose research papers provide a labour market analysis focused on gender from a **socio-economic, demographic-statistical and legal perspective**.

We want to highlight dissertations that focus on the factors that prevent more women from joining the labour market (lack of services to support care work, insufficient demand for labour, unequal treatment and cultural stereotypes) and discrimination, while also exploring the virtuous work/life balance policies and practices introduced by public institutions and companies in Italy or internationally to encourage a labour model that includes, champions and values women's careers, all the way up to the top.

We particularly encourage the submission of dissertations that address

- the theme of the importance of the gender dimension applied to the **innovative areas of scientific and technological skills and the digital economy**
- the **certification of gender equality in organisations**.
- the **inclusion of migrant women** in society and the labour market
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Universities and their involvement

The 8th Edition of the Valeria Solesin Award is launched with the publication of a new call for papers. The initiative will be promoted with a communication to students and the support of some of the most prestigious public and private universities across Italy:

University of Milan

University of Milan - Bicocca

Milan Polytechnic

Cattolica University of Milan

Bocconi University

University of Trento

Ca' Foscari University of Venice

Sapienza University of Rome

LUISS

University of Insubria

University of Parma

University of Brescia

University of Padua

Federico II University of Naples

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University of Cagliari

University of Siena

University of Palermo



University of Messina

University of Basilicata

University of Salerno

University of Udine

University of Turin

University of Bari

University of Bologna

University of Pavia

University of Florence

University of Pisa

University of Verona

"G. D'Annunzio" University of Chieti - Pescara

University of Sannio, Benevento

University of Calabria

University of Bergamo

University of Molise

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The Awards

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	CASH PRIZES	VALUE (EURO)
1	State Street	4,500
2	EY	3,000
3	SAS	3,000
4	A&A - Albè e Associati Studio Legale	2,000
5	Suzuki	2,000
6	MM	1,800
7	TRT Trasporti e Territorio	1,000
8	Italian Association for Population Studies - Italian Statistical Society section	500
9	Department of Sociology and Social Research of the University of Trento	500
STEM Focus Special Award*	TIM	3,000
STEM Focus Special Award*	FiberCop	3,000
Special Gender Equality Certification Focus Award**	Winning Women Institute	1,000
Special Award "Focus on the Inclusion of Migrant Women"***	Sanofi	3,600

The list of cash prizes given here may change if other entities decide to take part in the initiative as supporters.

* With regard to the 'STEM Focus' Special Award, this prize refers only to dissertations that deal with STEM (*Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics*) subjects written in line with the theme of the call. If there are no dissertations with a STEM subject and/or if the STEM work is judged to be of poor quality by the scientific committee, this prize will be included in the list of cash prizes above following the overall scoring.

** As for the 'Gender Certification Focus' Special Award, this award refers only to dissertations that address the topic of Gender Certification written regarding the theme of the call. If there are no dissertations on Gender Certification and/or if the work in this field is judged to be of poor quality by the scientific committee, this prize will be included in the list of cash prizes above following the overall scoring.

*** As for the Special Award "Focus on the Inclusion of Migrant Women", this prize only refers to dissertations that address the inclusion of migrant women in society and in the labour market in line with the main theme of the call. If there are no dissertations with this focus and/or if the work in this field is judged to be of poor quality by the scientific committee, this prize will be included in the list of cash prizes above following the overall scoring.

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The Scientific Committee

The Scientific Committee is made up of the people that designed and developed the project and important figures from the world of academia, experts in the areas of Economics, Sociology, Law, Political Science, Psychology, Education Sciences, Engineering, Demographics and Statistics.

Members of the Scientific Committee:

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2023 Award

Award ceremony:
in the picture: the winners of
the 7th Edition,
Valeria's mother, the supporters
and the project team of Forum
della Meritocrazia



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